



PEDIATRIC CONFERENCE

Friday October 02, 2026

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Venue: NOSM University

935 Ramsey Lake Rd
Greater Sudbury, ON | P3E 2C6

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM MSE Main Lobby	Registration Open	
8:30 AM – 8:50 AM MSE 107	The NoahStrong Foundation Presentation (unaccredited)	
8:50 AM – 9:00:AM MSE 107	WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS <i>Speaker: Dr. Tara Baron (NOSM University)</i> <u>Learning Objectives:</u> Following this conference, participants will be able to: 1. Develop an organized approach to the diagnosis and management of common pediatric medical issues 2. Utilize the team-based approach to pediatric care in Northern Ontario 3. Identify resources to deal with common pediatric medical issues and describe how to access these resources 4. Develop an understanding of when to consider rare and difficult to diagnose pediatric conditions	
PLENARY 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM MSE 107	Topic: Pediatric Stroke <i>Speaker: Dr. Liza Pulcine (SickKids)</i> <i>Moderator: Dr. Tara Baron</i> <u>Learning Objectives</u> - Following this session, participants will be able to: 1. Describe the epidemiology and classification of pediatric stroke 2. Identify common risk factors and etiologies of pediatric stroke across developmental stages 3. Recognize the clinical presentations and warning signs of pediatric stroke 4. Apply evidence-based principles to the acute evaluation and initial management of suspected pediatric stroke including choosing appropriate neuro imaging	
10:00 AM – 10:05 AM	Movement Interval	
10:05 AM – 11:05 AM	Concurrent Breakout Sessions	
	MSE 107	Topic: Headache <i>Speaker: Dr. Liza Pulcine (SickKids)</i> <i>Moderator: Angie Wiwczor, NP</i> <u>Learning Objectives</u> - Following this session, participants will be able to: 1. Describe the epidemiology and common classifications of pediatric headache 2. Identify red flag features in children presenting with headache 3. Differentiate common primary headache disorders in pediatric patients

		4. Apply evidence-based approaches to the assessment, management and prophylaxis of pediatric headache
	MSE 119	Topic: Asthma Management <i>Speaker: Dr. Stephanie Lim-Reinders (SickKids)</i> <i>Moderator: Dr. Tara Baron</i> <u>Learning Objectives</u> - Following this session, participants will be able to: 1. Apply a structured approach to the assessment of pediatric patients presenting with acute respiratory distress 2. Implement evidence-based management for pediatric asthma exacerbations across the spectrum of severity
11:05 AM – 11:20 AM HEALTH BREAK (unaccredited)		
11:20 AM – 12:20 PM	MSE 107	Topic: Literacy <i>Speaker: Dr. Rubeeta Gill (Canadian Children's Literacy Foundation)</i> <i>Moderator: Dr. Cheryl Clayton</i> <u>Learning Objectives</u> - Following this session, participants will be able to: 1. Discuss why early literacy is a preventative health intervention 2. Describe how to integrate early literacy promotion into clinical encounters 3. Identify how to screen for reading difficulties in preschool children
	MSE 119	Topic: Head Injuries <i>Speaker: Dr. Stephanie Lim-Reinders (SickKids)</i> <i>Moderator: Angie Wiwczor, NP</i> <u>Learning Objectives</u> - Following this session, participants will be able to: 1. Apply a systematic approach to the initial assessment and stabilization of pediatric head injury 2. Interpret pediatric head injury decision rules to guide imaging and observation 3. Describe the recent evidence with regards to imaging for c-spine in the context of pediatric head injury
12:20 PM – 1:00 PM LUNCH (unaccredited)		
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM MSE 107	Topic: Journal Club <i>Speaker: Dr. Carolyn Beck</i> <i>Moderator: Dr. Cheryl Clayton</i> <u>Learning Objectives</u> - Following this session, participants will be able to: 1. Discuss five articles relative to general pediatric practice over the past year 2. Critically appraise each article in "quick hits" format 3. Summarize each article with "take-home-messages" highlighting implications relevant to general practice	



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2:00 PM – 2:45 PM MSE 107	Topic: Pediatric Quick Hits: Orbital and Periorbital Cellulitis & Dyslipidemia <i>Speakers: Dr. Vanessa Bournival (PGY3) and Dr. Sophie Lamoureux (PGY4)</i> <i>Moderator: Angie Wiwczor, NP</i> <u>Learning Objectives</u> - Following this session, participants will be able to: 1. Differentiate orbital cellulitis from periorbital cellulitis using the updated Canadian Pediatric Society (CPS) guidelines and describe an approach to management 2. Determine when it is appropriate to refer a child with orbital cellulitis 3. Summarize the new CPS guidelines for screening children and adolescents for dyslipidemia, including indications for targeted and universal screening 4. Develop a management plan for pediatric dyslipidemia using current CPS guidelines including lifestyle interventions, follow-up, and referral thresholds
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	HEALTH BREAK (unaccredited)
PLENARY 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM MSE 107	Topic: Connected Parenting <i>Speaker: Dr. Rubeeta Gill (Canadian Children's Literacy Foundation)</i> <i>Moderator: Dr. Cheryl Clayton</i> <u>Learning Objectives</u> - Following this session, participants will be able to: 1. Describe the foundational principles of connective parenting and their role in foster secure parent-child relationships 2. Identify practical strategies integrating play, behaviour, and nutrition to promote positive parenting
4:00 PM – 4:05 PM MSE 107	REFLECTIONS & CLOSING REMARKS

ACCREDITATION STATEMENTS

Certified Activity

This activity meets the certification criteria of the College of Family Physicians of Canada and has been certified by the Continuing Professional Development Office at NOSM University for up to 6.0 Mainpro+® Certified Activity credits.

Activité certifiée

Cette activité répond aux critères de certification du Collège des médecins de famille du Canada et a reçu la certification du bureau du DPC de l'EMNO et donne droit jusqu'à 6.0 crédits d'activité certifiée Mainpro+MD.

Section 1 accreditation statement

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Exemple d'énoncé d'agrément

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